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New Alternative Transportation Funding Awarded – Kevin Percival, National Park Service



Federal Transit Administrator James S. Simpson announced the new funding grants during a visit to Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

(also shown from left to right: Mayor Michael J. Kaplan of Peninsula, Ohio; Superintendent John Debo; Deputy Interior Secretary Lynn Scarlett; Senator Mike DeWine; and Congressman Ralph Regula.)

The Federal Transit Administration and the U.S. Department of the Interior have formally announced the projects selected for FY 2006 funding under the new Alternative Transportation in Parks and Public Lands program (ATPPL). A listing of project awards by state was published in the September 12, 2006 Federal Register. The National Park Service and partners received approximately \$11 million out of \$19.6 million awarded to parks, forests, and refuges. More information about the ATPPL program can be found at the FTA website. For inquiries specific to national parks, please e-mail kevin percival@nps.gov.

"Control of Dust is a Major Must" - Tom Kuennen, Better Roads Magazine



The <u>August 2006 issue of *Better Roads*</u> (published by James Informational Media Inc.), looks at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency proposal to tighten regulations in response to health hazards, regional haze, and eroded surfaces caused by unpaved road dust. Dust constitutes a type of particulate matter air pollution and can cause respiratory problems. Best practices for dust control are also discussed.

<u>Historic Togwotee Trail Reconstruction - Stephanie Harris, Roads & Bridges Magazine</u>



A recent issue of *Roads and Bridges Magazine* (August 2006, Volume 44, Number 8, Scranton Gillette Communications, Inc.) covers the Wyoming Department of Transportation's reconstruction of U.S. Highway 26-287 into Yellowstone National Park. This seven-year, \$100 million project involves 38 miles of scenic roadway. A Shoshone subchief known as Togwotee guided Captain William A. Jones, expedition leader of the Corps of Engineers, through a mountain pass into Yellowstone in 1873.

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